

Exodus 9:20

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

He that feared the word of the LORD among the servants of Pharaoh made his servants and his cattle flee into the houses:

Analysis

Verse 20 describes the plague of hail with fire, targeting Nut (sky goddess) and Seth (storm god). This unprecedented storm combines hail and fire, destroying crops and livestock left in fields. God reveals 'there is none like me in all the earth' (v.14).

Historical Context

Nut, sky goddess, arched over earth as protective dome. Seth controlled storms and chaos. The storm's supernatural nature—fire and ice together—proves divine origin. Only those who 'feared the word of the LORD' (v.20) saved their livestock.

Related Passages

Romans 10:9 — Confession and belief for salvation

Ephesians 2:8 — Salvation by grace through faith

Study Questions

1. How does God use creation to reveal His power?
2. What does the response of God-fearing Egyptians (v.20) teach about individual faith?

Interlinear Text

הִירָא	אֶת	דָּבָר	יְהוָה	עֲבָדָיו	פֶּרַע הַ	יֵהָנוּ
H3372	H853	the word	of the LORD	among the servants	of Pharaoh	flee
		H1697	H3068	H5650	H6547	H5127
אֶת	עֲבָדָיו	וְאֶת	מִקְנֵי הוּא	אֶל	הַבָּתִּים:	
H853	among the servants	H853	and his cattle	H413	into the houses	
	H5650		H4735		H1004	

Additional Cross-References

Proverbs 13:13 (Word): Whoso despiseth the word shall be destroyed: but he that feareth the commandment shall be rewarded.

Proverbs 22:3 (Parallel theme): A prudent man foreseeeth the evil, and hideth himself: but the simple pass on, and are punished.